IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-16 (cancelled).

Claim 17 (currently amended): ~~The system as claimed in claim 16, further comprising:~~ A document management system comprising:

a managing part managing a plurality of documents each comprising one or a plurality of sections;

a part creating a name of each section of plurality of sections of a document, said name comprising a name of said document; and

a specifying part for an operator to specify an index type,

wherein said name creating part ~~creating~~ creates a name of each section, said name comprising the name of the document and an index having an attribute of order and of a type specified by said specifying part.

Claim 18 (currently amended): ~~The system as claimed in claim 16 further comprising:~~ A document management system comprising:

a managing part managing a plurality of documents each comprising one or a plurality of sections;

a part creating a name of each section of plurality of sections of a document, said name comprising a name of said document; and

a selecting part for an operator to select an index type from a list of index types,

wherein said name creating part ~~creating~~ creates a name of each section, said name comprising the name of the document and an index having an attribute of order and of a type selected by said selecting part.

Claim 19 (currently amended): ~~The system as claimed in claim 16, further~~ ~~comprising:~~ A document management system comprising:

a managing part managing a plurality of documents each comprising one or a plurality of sections;

a part creating a name of each section of plurality of sections of a document, said name comprising a name of said document; and

a setting part setting instructions for creating names of sections when documents are coupled,

wherein said name creating part creates a name of each section of plurality of sections of a document, said name comprising a name of said document obtained from coupling of documents, when the instructions for creating names of sections when documents are coupled are set by said setting part.

Claim 20 (currently amended): A document management system comprising:

a managing part managing a plurality of documents each comprising one or a plurality of sections; and

a naming part naming each document obtained from decomposing a source document using a name of a section of the document obtained from decomposing the source document,

~~where~~ wherein the name of the section comprises a name of said source document and an index having an attribute of order.

Claim 21 (currently amended): A document management system comprising:

a managing part managing a plurality of documents each comprising one or a plurality of sections; and

a searching part searching for documents using a type of index,

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~~where~~ <u>wherein</u> each document has a name comprising an index having an attribute of order.

Claim 22 (original): The system as claimed in claim 21, further comprising:

a specifying part for an operator to specify a name indicating an attribute of document and a type of index,

wherein said searching part performs search in accordance with an item specified through said specifying part.

Claim 23 (original): The system as claimed in claim 21, further comprising:

a dividing part dividing a document name into an index and the remainder,

wherein said searching part performs search in accordance with an item obtained from said dividing part.

Claim 24 (original): The system as claimed in claim 22, further comprising:

a sorting part sorting names of the documents obtained from said searching part in order of index; and

a coupling part coupling the documents in order of the result obtained from said sorting part.

Claim 25 (original): The system as claimed in claim 24, further comprising:

a naming part naming the document obtained from said coupling part using the remainder of deletion of the index from a name of a section included in said document.

Claim 26 (cancelled).

Claim 27 (currently amended): ~~The method as claimed in claim 26, further comprising the step of:~~ A document management method comprising the steps of:

managing a plurality of documents each comprising one or a plurality of sections;

creating a name of each section of plurality of sections of a document, said name comprising a name of said document; and

specifying an index type,

wherein said name creating step ~~creating~~ creates a name of each section, said name comprising the name of the document and an index having an attribute of order and of a type specified by said specifying step.

Claim 28 (currently amended): ~~The method as claimed in claim 26 further comprising the step of:~~ A document management method comprising the steps of:

managing a plurality of documents each comprising one or a plurality of sections;

creating a name of each section of plurality of sections of a document, said name comprising a name of said document; and

selecting an index type from a list of index types,

wherein said name creating step ~~creating~~ creates a name of each section, said name comprising the name of the document and an index having an attribute of order and of a type selected by said selecting step.

Claim 29 (currently amended): ~~The method as claimed in claim 26, further comprising the step of:~~ A document management method comprising the steps of:

managing a plurality of documents each comprising one or a plurality of sections;

creating a name of each section of plurality of sections of a document, said name comprising a name of said document; and

setting instructions for creating names of sections when documents are coupled,

wherein said name creating step creates a name of each section of plurality of sections of a document, said name comprising a name of said document obtained from coupling of documents, when the instructions for creating names of sections when documents are coupled are set by said setting step.

Claim 30 (currently amended): A document management method comprising the steps of:

managing a plurality of documents each comprising one or a plurality of sections; and

naming each document obtained from decomposing a source document using a name of a section of the document obtained from decomposing the source document,

where wherein the name of the section comprises a name of said source document and an index having an attribute of order.

Claim 31 (currently amended): A document management method comprising the steps of:

managing a plurality of documents each comprising one or a plurality of sections; and

searching for documents using a type of index,

where wherein each document has a name comprising an index having an attribute of order.

Claim 32 (original): The method as claimed in claim 31, further comprising the step of:

specifying a name indicating an attribute of document and a type of index,

wherein said searching step performs search in accordance with an item specified through said specifying step.

Claim 33 (original): The method as claimed in claim 31, further comprising the step of:

dividing a document name into an index and the remainder,

wherein said searching step performs search in accordance with an item obtained from said dividing step.

Claim 34 (original): The method as claimed in claim 32, further comprising the steps of:

sorting names of the documents obtained from said searching step in order of index; and

coupling the documents in order of the result obtained from said sorting step.

Claim 35 (original): The method as claimed in claim 34, further comprising the step of:

naming the document obtained from said coupling step using the remainder of deletion of the index from a name of a section included in said document.

Claim 36 (cancelled).

Claim 37 (currently amended): ~~The recording medium as claimed in claim 36, further having a program recorded therein, said program causing the computer to further function as:~~ A computer-readable recording medium having programs recorded therein, said programs causing a computer to function as:

means for managing a plurality of documents each comprising one or a plurality of sections;

means for creating a name of each section of plurality of sections of a document, said name comprising a name of said document; and

means for specifying an index type,

wherein said name creating means creates a name of each section, said name comprising the name of the document and an index having an attribute of order and of a type specified by said specifying means.

Claim 38 (currently amended): ~~The recording medium as claimed in claim 36 further having a program recorded therein, said program causing the computer to further function as:~~ A computer-readable recording medium having programs recorded therein, said programs causing a computer to function as:

means for managing a plurality of documents each comprising one or a plurality of sections;

means for creating a name of each section of plurality of sections of a document, said name comprising a name of said document; and

means for selecting an index type from a list of index types,

wherein said name creating means creates a name of each section, said name comprising the name of the document and an index having an attribute of order and of a type selected by said selecting means.

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Claim 39 (currently amended): ~~The recording medium as claimed in claim 36, further having a program recorded therein, said program causing the computer to further function as:~~ A computer-readable recording medium having programs recorded therein, said programs causing a computer to function as:

means for managing a plurality of documents each comprising one or a plurality of sections;

means for creating a name of each section of plurality of sections of a document, said name comprising a name of said document; and

means for setting instructions for creating names of sections when documents are coupled,

wherein said name creating means creates a name of each section of plurality of sections of a document, said name comprising a name of said document obtained from coupling of documents, when the instructions for creating names of sections when documents are coupled are set through said setting means.

Claim 40 (currently amended) A ~~compute-readable~~ computer-readable recording medium having programs recorded therein, said programs causing a computer to function as:

means for managing a plurality of documents each comprising one or a plurality of sections; and

means for naming each document obtained from decomposing a source document using a name of a section of the document obtained from decomposing the source document,

~~where~~ wherein the name of the section comprises a name of said source document and an index having an attribute of order.

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Claim 41 (currently amended): A ~~compute readable~~ computer-readable recording medium having programs recorded therein, said programs causing a computer to function as:

means for managing a plurality of documents each comprising one or a plurality of sections; and

means for searching for documents using a type of index,

~~where~~ wherein each document has a name comprising an index having an attribute of order.

Claim 42 (original): The recording medium as claimed in claim 41, further having a program recorded therein, said program causing the computer to further function as:

means for specifying a name indicating an attribute of document and a type of index,

wherein said searching means performs search in accordance with an item specified through said specifying means.

Claim 43 (original): The recording medium as claimed in claim 41, further having a program recorded therein, said program causing the computer to further function as:

means for dividing a document name into an index and the remainder,

wherein said searching means performs search in accordance with an item obtained from said dividing means.

Claim 44 (original): The recording medium as claimed in claim 42, further having programs recorded therein, said programs causing the computer to further function as:

means for sorting names of the documents obtained from said searching means in order of index; and

means for coupling the documents in order of the result obtained from said sorting means.

Claim 45 (original): The recording medium as claimed in claim 44, further having a program recorded therein, said program causing the computer to further function as:

means for naming the document obtained from said coupling means using the remainder of deletion of the index from a name of a section included in said document.

Claim 46 (cancelled).

Claim 47 (currently amended): An integrating document management system comprising:

a managing part managing a plurality of documents managed by a plurality of databases, respectively, each document comprising one or a plurality of sections; and

a naming part naming each document obtained from decomposing a source document using a name of a section of the document obtained from decomposing the source document,

where wherein the name of the section comprises a name of said source document and an index having an attribute of order.

Claim 48 (currently amended): An integrating document management system comprising:

a managing part managing a plurality of documents managed by a plurality of databases, respectively, each document comprising one or a plurality of sections; and

a searching part searching for documents using a type of index,

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~~where~~ <u>wherein</u> each document has a name comprising an index having an attribute of order.

Claim 49 (cancelled).

Claim 50 (original): An integrating document management method comprising the steps of:

managing a plurality of documents managed by a plurality of databases, respectively, each document comprising one or a plurality of sections; and

naming each document obtained from decomposing a source document using a name of a section of the document obtained from decomposing the source document,

wherein the name of the section comprises a name of said source document and an index having an attribute of order.

Claim 51 (original): An integrating document management method comprising the steps of:

managing a plurality of documents managed by a plurality of databases, respectively, each document comprising one or a plurality of sections; and

searching for documents using a type of index,

wherein each document has a name comprising an index having an attribute of order.

Claim 52 (cancelled).

Claim 53 (currently amended): A ~~compute-readable~~ <u>computer-readable</u> recording medium having programs recorded therein, said programs causing a computer to function as:

means for managing a plurality of documents managed by a plurality of databases, respectively, each document comprising one or a plurality of sections; and

means for naming each document obtained from decomposing a source document using a name of a section of the document obtained from decomposing the source document,

wherein the name of the section comprises a name of said source document and an index having an attribute of order.

Claim 54 (currently amended): A ~~compute-readable~~ <u>computer-readable</u> recording medium having programs recorded therein, said programs causing a computer to function as:

means for managing a plurality of documents managed by a plurality of databases, respectively, each document comprising one or a plurality of sections; and

means for searching for documents using a type of index,

wherein each document has a name comprising an index having an attribute of order.